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Newsletter No 1: 2nd February 2018

Dear Parent / Caregiver,

Malo e lei lei, Talofa, Kia ora, Salaam alaykum, Sues-Day,

Welcome back to everyone for the start of a new school year. The year has started well with both children and staff settling in very quickly.

A warm welcome to all our new students and families: Hunter-Rose, Reyna-Haste, Mere, Joseph, Kaedyn, Amemiya, Rangi-Davis, Sharleen, Lega-Cee, Tewaiwhakata, Tiaki, Chloe B, Dontae, Jimbo, Sage, Gabby, Chloe M, Charlotte, Fushia, Ragaad, Amar, Omar, Ethan, Diane, Kantis, Koston, Grayson, Linkin, Krystiana, Jaden, Neville, Stownie-Lee, Trinity, Karmah, Henare, Ernett, Kawana, Tutaki, Sophia, Sam, Sharnika, Ronan and Billie-Rae. Welcome back to: Tearoa, Shakaia, Kaprien, Lasidyn and Adonis.

A warm welcome is also extended to our new teacher - Mr Haworth in Room 4 and returning as a part time teacher - Miss Liufalani who can be found in Room 8 on Fridays.

STATIONERY PACKS

Stationery is compulsory for all students and must be purchased from the school. Class teachers have been given packs for all students in the class, which will be named as soon as your child commences the school year.

Stationery is to be paid by the end of Week 3. (16th February)

Stationery Year 1,2,3&4 \$35.00 per pack Year 5 & 6 \$30.00 per pack

Payments can be made by CASH, CHEQUE or INTERNET BANKING. (Sorry, No eftpos) If you need to spread you payments e.g. \$10.00 per week, please talk to the office ladies.

If paying by Internet banking, please ensure you give clear details so we can your identify your child/family and payment type. If you know your child's Room number, use this also.

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SUNHATS

Our regulation school sunhats are compulsory in Terms 1 & 4. Children who do not have a regulation hat must stay in a designated shady area during interval and lunchtime. Hats are \$10.00. This price is heavily subsidised by the Board of Trustees. Hats are available from the school office.

SCHOOL HOURS 8:40am - 2:30pm

Children who arrive after the 8:40 am bell must report to the office to collect a late slip. This ensures they are taken off the absentees and you will not be contacted by the school. Children must be picked up promptly at 2:30pm. Staff have regular after school meetings and professional development sessions and are unable to supervise children who have not been collected. The only exception is when children need to wait everyday to go home with a sibling at the Intermediate. These children wait with the ground clearance duty teacher at the front of the school until the Intermediate finishes at 3:00pm.

MORNING DROPPING OFF

Parents are encouraged to use our drive through for dropping off students in the morning. Cars enter through our main school gates, follow the arrows and drive to the <u>rear of the school</u> to the drop off zone. Cars then exit through the Fairfield hall carpark. To enable the continuous flow of traffic, drivers must remain in their vehicles at all times. If you are intending to leave your vehicle, you will need to park in the Fairfield hall carpark. The maximum speed through the drive through is 5km/hr.



THE DRIVE THROUGH IS CLOSED IN THE AFTERNOONS. YOU MUST EITHER PARK IN THE FAIRFIELD HALL CARPARK OR ALONG CLARKIN ROAD AND WALK INTO THE SCHOOL GROUNDS TO COLLECT CHILDREN.

ABSENTEES

It is essential that you notify the school if your child is absent. You can text 021502978, phone 8556284, send a note with a sibling or call into the office. Fairfield Primary has a strict attendance policy. Coming to school is absolutely imperative and children should only be absent if they are sick or have a very good reason. You can expect a phone call, text or home visit if your child's absence has not been explained. A NOTE FROM THE DENTAL THERAPISTS.... The Mobile Dental Van is now at Fairfield Primary. All children will be seen by appointment. You will receive a text message informing you of the day and time of appointment. You are welcome to attend with your child or we will see them from class. If you have any questions please feel free to call us on 021 347866 Staff on MDU5

SWIMMING

Swimming has now begun. Please refer to the swimming timetable on the back of the February calendar.

Aquatics is a compulsory part of the NZ Health and Physical Education Curriculum and it is expected that <u>all</u> students will swim unless they have a medical reason. A note from home must explain why a student is unable to swim. Swimmers are expected to wear: Girls - Swimming Togs Boys - Shorts above the knee

Please bring a towel and have a plastic bag or swim bag for wet gear. Our pool water is tested three times daily and we receive a weekly analysis report on water quality to comply with health regulations.

SCHOOL ACTIVITY DONATION

A big THANK YOU to the earlybirds who have already paid the school activity donation.

This year our activity donation is \$40.00 per child or \$100.00 per family. The activity donation is used to help supplement costs associated with sports, cultural, art and craft and other activities not funded by the Ministry of Education. All payments to be made to the school office please. REMEMBER all donations are tax deductable.

CLASS NOTICES AND NEWSLETTERS

Newsletters are sent home every alternate Friday and notices come home as required. At the beginning of each month you will also receive a calendar. This will give you a brief outline of school events for the month ahead.

We ask that you regularly check your child's schoolbag for class notices and newsletters and return any forms or permission slips promptly. If you feel you may have missed a Newsletter or notice, please ask at the office.

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Our Year 3/4 Touch team will be needing a few more players. If you have a Year 3 or 4 child who is keen to play and you are able to transport them to Swarbrick Park on a Thursday after school, please see Whaea Sandy in the office for more details.

1 or 2 places may also become available in our Year 5/6 touch team. Students in Year 5 or 6 can give their names to Whaea Sandy and will be contacted if places open up.

BEACH ED

Our senior classes (Rooms 4,5,7,10 & 14) will be participating in the Beach Ed programme at Waihi Beach.

Detailed notices were sent home yesterday with when the classes will be going.

PAYMENTS AND CONSENT FORMS MUST BE RETURNED BEFORE TRIP DAY.

NO MONEY OR CONSENT WILL BE ACCEPTED ON THE DAY OF THE TRIP.

TERM DATES FOR 2018

Term 130th January - 13th April

Term 2 30th April - 6th July

- Term 3 23rd July 28th September
- Term 4 15th October 15th December

Kind regards

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Anne Johnson **PRINCIPAL**

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